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	10/710,145	DANOVITCH ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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1. X This communication is responsive to <u>amendment filed 10/24/2005</u> .			
2. X The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-20</u> .			
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a)			
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DETAILED ACTION

1. This office action is in response to amendment filed 10/24/2005.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-20 are allowed.

Reasons for Allowance

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The primary reason for allowance of the claims is the inclusion of a container for confining a plurality of electrically conductive particles, each of said electrically conductive particles being in contact with other electrically conductive particles so that said electrically conductive particles are electrically commoned, where at least some of said electrically conductive contact said contact pads so that said contact pads are electrically commoned in combination with remaining claims limitations.

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

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Young (US 4,712,674) discloses container 26 for static-sensitive articles containing electrically conducting particles (conductive carbon particles) for contacting integrated circuit chip 11 (Fig. 2).

Chang et al. (US 5,206,585) discloses method for testing integrated circuit devices comprising plurality of electrically conductive particles 19 for electrically commoning (connecting) contact pads 14,17 (Fig. 2).

Mello (US 5,910,878) discloses method and apparatus for protecting electrical devices 25 from static electricity comprising electrical device having leads (pads) 252 contacting plurality of conductive particles 62 (thin diameter conductive string/thread/cord or equivalent filaments 62)(Fig. 5).

Degani (US 6,043,670) discloses method for testing integrated circuits comprising substrate 11 with pads 12 connected by conductive particles 17 embedded in layer 13 of anisotropic conductive medium (Fig. 3).

While the above cited prior art references disclose contact pads (leads) are commoned using conductive particles none of these references teach or fairly suggest a container for confining a plurality of electrically conductive particles, wherein each of said electrically conductive particles are in contact with other electrically conductive particles so that said electrically conductive particles are electrically commoned.

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for

Allowance."

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